

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD – Allegations of irregularities in drilling of bore wells in Khammam District - Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.) – Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 read with A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Article of charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.IA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1496 .

Dated:24.09.2013

Read:

G.O.Ms.No. 419, PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013.

ORDER:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded in the reference read above, under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980, for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), it is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charges (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure-II and III).

3. Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), is directed to submit within ten (10) days of the receipt of this order, a written statement of his defence.

4. Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of article of those charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny article of charge.

5. Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the period specified in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte, based on the material available on record.

6. Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.), is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this G.O. shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

VIKAS RAJ

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RWS&S)

To

Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.) through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.

(P.T.O.)

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The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Hyderabad.

(in duplicate with a request to serve and return the dated acknowledgement copy)

Copy to:

The PR&RD (Estt.III) Department.

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//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

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ANNEXURE-I

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1496 PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGES AGAINST SRI B. JOSHI, THE THEN DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S, KHAMMAM DISTRICT (NOW RETD.)

CHARGE-I:

That Sri B. Joshi, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, RWS&S, Khammam District (now Retd.) has neglected his duties by check measuring and allowing excess bore depths, excess casing and under gauge casing in Bore Wells.

Basis:

As per Lr. No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013, the CE, Vig & QC reported that as per rules where excess casing pipes were utilized and excess depths were executed against the site plans issued by the Geologist, they may be required as per site/field conditions, the concerned field engineers should have got approval of the same from the Geologist concerned soon after drilling. But, Sri B. Joshi, Deputy Executive Engineer was not to do so. Being a sub-divisional head, he has to observe while check measuring the bore depths and casing of pipes. Thus, he failed to follow the rules in vogue. From this, it is evident that he has shown gross negligence towards his legitimate duties and failed in supervision and violated Rule (3) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

Charge-II

That Sri B. Joshi, Deputy Executive Engineer has recommended payment though the platforms were not constructed as per UNICEF type design. Thus. he derelicted his duties.

Basis:

As per Lr. No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013, the CE, Vig & QC reported that Sri B. Joshi, Deputy Executive Engineer has recommended payments even though the construction of plat forms were made with deviations from the UNICEF model. Thus, he failed in supervision during execution of work. From this, it is evident that he has shown gross negligence towards his legitimate duties and violated Rule (3) of A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the charge.

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ANNEXURE-II

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1496 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI B. JOSHI, THE THEN DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S, KHAMMAM DISTRICT. (NOW RETD.)

Lr. No.AEE1/DEEIII/01/BWs drilling dt.14.05.2013 of the Chief Engineer,
Vig & QC, Hyderabad.

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ANNEXURE-III

(Annexure to G.O.Rt.No. 1496 , PR&RD (Vig.IA) Dept., dt.24.09.2013)

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED AGAINST SRI B. JOSHI, THE THEN DEPUTY EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S, KHAMMAM DISTRICT (NOW RETD.)

- NIL -

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